STRENGTHENING THE COMBINE.

Trans-Missouri Association Meets and Makes Rates Which Will be Opposed by South Omaha.

In Conference. There is everything in the present situa-tion among western ratiroids to cause much lively agitation and the most intense interest. The withdrawai of two such corpora-tions as the Union Pacific and Northwestern whose destinies are so closely allied, from inone aestines are so coosy and, from it meaches into secasions considerable alarm of the part of their contemporaries, the furnington, Milwaukee, Rock Island and antalve. Nortern Pacific and Manitotes traises may be more or less concurred, but no four lines first named are directly flected and to them the public is looking or startling developments.

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Yesterday developed a few facts among the Union Pacific and Northwestern officials, which to the opposition not only looked rather susmicious, but elicited an unusual amount of comment.

Marvin Hughitt, president; John M. Whitmao, general manager, and S. Sandbourn, general superintendent of the Northwestern, arrived in this city from Chicago. They went directly to Union Pacific beadquarters where they remained in consultation for a long time, behind boited doors with controlling spirits of that road.

While Mr. Hughitt conferred with Vice President Holcomb, Second Vice President Kimball and General Traffic Manager Mellen, in Mr. Holcomb's private office, Messrs, Whitman and Sanbourn, also Superintendent Hopkins of the lows division, who accompanies them, were closeted with General Manager Dicinson and General Passonger Agent Lomax in the former's room. These gentlomen maintained profound a leaves when questioned as to the real object of their visit, avoiding direct answers by saying that they were simply out on a tour of inspection.

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From other sources, however, it was learned that the recent turn in affairs necessitates immediate action toward the adoption of plans for a still closer and more binding agreement between the two corporations in order that they may be prepared to successfully need any schemes their enemies may spring to desprive them of the controlling prestige they now enjoy.

Mr. Highlit entertained his trio of distinguished confrers with a recital of Chairman Walker's decision before the presidents' meeting in New York, and the effect it had; also what followed between himself and President Adams when they determined to the famous 'gentlement's agreement.'' There is no doubt that an effort will be made to reorganize, but whether the Union Paritie and Northwestern want to again enter an association combination that preposes to centrol their action in the matter of the exchange of business or not, is the question. In order to be able to stand alone and fight the other reads, it is understood that a stronger combine—one more extensive as well as affective—is being arranged; and, it is thought, has brought the Northwestern officials to Omaka. By coming bere they can consummate matters with less annoyance and without attracting so much attention from contempéraries as they would in Chicago. Therefore, while Mr. Highlit was talking and figuring with Holcomb, Kimball and Mellon upstairs, the other parties devoted their visit to specturitions on the proposition of a rearrangement of transacrice, and new time tables. Amont of the survive and new time tables, Amont of the though the form the parties devoted their visit to specturities on the proposition of a rearrangement of transacrice, and new time tables. Amont of the matter with the survive and new time tables, and the proposition of the parties devoted their visit to specture the parties of the transacrice, and the proposition of the e

in Chicago, February 8, and until that time it is not likely that any moves will be made.

General Freight Agent Croeby of the B. & M. returned Wednesday from Chicago, where he attended a constant of the times, hissouri free times and the subject of cattle rates east-bound from interior Nebrishes and Kanass points. A schodule was agreed on and is now being prepared whereby the rates to Chicago by way of Omaha will be the same as by way of Kanass City and St. Joe.

This has no effect, however, on the rate from Omaha, whine stall remains at 25 cents a hundred, but it makes a reduction in the sum of the two locals. As an example, the tariff in effect up to date or cattle shipments from Hantings to Chicago his been 315, cents, while the new rate brings it down to 2015, cents, a reduction of 4 cents a hundred. This will affect the South Omaha packers more than anybody elee, and the railroad officials expect to receive a vigorous protts. I rom them.

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The Santa Fe is trying to attract some attention by threatening to put on a fast vestibule train between Chicago and San Francisco which will make the trip in sixty-nine
hours. This would be much faster time than
any other transcentinental road makes, and
bring about a great revolution in the overland
travel. An official of that road is quoted
as saying that all arrangements for putting
the acteme into effect have been completed,
and six of the most magnificent solid
vestibuled trains ever builture now in course
of construction. Sixty-nine is only six hours
longer than is required for the fast mail between Omaha and "Frisco, which runs on a
schedule of forty miles an hour, therefore,
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the Santa Fe several mine ahead of all its
competitors as a swift road. To railroad
men the proposition is rather abound. Had
this efficial said 109 hours he would have
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THE ART OF ENTERTAINING.

How an Autocratic Girl Put Her Good Breeding to Account.

A gentleman of New York was talking in the Colonade last eveniur about self-supporting women, says the Philadelphia Press. Said he:

"Among the many occupations invented by impecunious women, perhans the most orleinal is that of a woman of thirty, who had been for soveral years at the head of her lathers's luxurous establishment. She learned thoroughly the art of entertaining, and one day, when saddsniv left a penniless orphan, she determined to make this knowledge of some practical use. She was not much of a musician, and she didn't have either the knack or desire to teach what languages she knew, She couldn't write or paint, and, in fact, found it difficult to find within herself any knowledge sufficiently great to be worth money enough to support her. "If I only knew one thing thoroughly' she cried but the only thing I know how to do is to give dinner parties. I know that exactly and completely, but the question's not how to give dinner parties but how to get them to give. Thinking the matter over in every light, a sudden thought came to her. There was a number of people who had the means but not the knowledge to give dinners; why couldn't she teach them?

"She told her iden to friends and they encouraged her by employing her on such occasions, thus releving themselves of infinite care and worry. Her method was this: She went to the intending dinner giver the day the invitations were is-ued, and discussed ways and means. On the day of the dinner she ordered the flowers, lavers and dinner cards, arranging them herself, got the dinner table into proper condition, saw that all changes of others and slipped away. Her patronage increased when hor friends found what clover and original ideas she had, and realized how completely she lifted all the care and responsibility from their shoulders. She made a business of gotting all the latest ideas from florists, caterers and shopkeepers, and applied them at once, while they were new. After she became interested

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Libel Case Concluded. MAHONEY'S ARGUMENT

FOR THE DECISION.

Preliminary Hearing of the

He Gives Reporter Johnson a Severe Scoring and is Forcibly an-swered by Mr. Gannon-The Speeches

The State Rests.

The final arguments in the case of the state against Mr. E. Rosewster, charged with crimical libel, were made before Judge Helsley in police court Wednesday afternome. County Attorney Manony closed the argument for the statement court of Virginia, cited by Mr. Gamon in his argument. The rale had down, and Mr. Mahoney, is that a man may defend himself when attacked, even without proving the truth of his retort. Has Mr. Rosewater brought himself within that rulo! He testified that the article in which the libel is alloyed to have been unade was written in reply to a letter written by Vandervoort. An article in The first of January 5 could hardly be construed to be an anawer to one published in the Republican of January 4 On cross-examination Mr. Rosewater admitted that he had exposed, as he called it, for the past fourteen years. During that time he has unremittingly pursued Mr. Vandervoort, I understand that these did not be replaced in the had exposed, as he called it, for the past fourteen years. During that time he had avened, as he called it, for the past fourteen years. During that time he had exposed, as he called it, for the past fourteen years. During that time he had exposed, as he called it, for the past fourteen years. In the same properties of risicule, and Mr. Vandervoort has been goaded almost to descend the provide of his content of the provide of the had been assaulted by some one whom he has previously maligned. Under the law the defense of privilege must be abandoned. There is no testimony to show that Mr. Vandervoort is a buinmer, as called by Mr. House of the past of t

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Ten years ago any gentleman in the western states who possessed noticeably refused or polished manners was said to be "like a New-Yorker, writes a New-Yorker, writes a New-Yorker, writes a New-Yorker was supposed to be all fail the good manners and a line address. The New-Yorker was supposed to be au fail in all the polite finesse and delicate courtesies so dear to the heart of every woman. Very little was said of his morals, but his manners were acknowledged to be admirable, even by his enemics and rivals. Today all this is changed. When a gentleman gives his seat in a public conveyance to a lady, or steps aside to be "from cut of town." "The elevated train is illied with southern and western men this morning," said a lady not long ago as, she took her seat in car. "Why?" asked her friend, wonderingly. "Because every lady has a seat, and only the gentlemen are holding on to the straps and weenching their arms and backs around these terrible curves. New York men would not subject themselves to such discomfort, you know."

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Relating this bit of irony to a gentleman, he declared that more than half if not the entire fault lies with the women themselves. "I talked with two or three guards on the clexated roads," he said, "and with several street car conductors, on this very matter not long ago. They all complained of the rudeness of women, who push, crowd, drap their money and their parcels, and blockade a whole row of gentiemen, and offer no apology for so doing. 'If women would keep their wits about them,' he continued, 'and not conduct themselves like feather-brained lunatics in public places, men's manners would improve.' But they forget the street where they wish the car to stop, and they abuse the conductor for his stupidity in carrying them out of their way, and angelly push past the geatisemen who happen to stand on the nisatorm. I have seen a well-dressed woman detain a crowd of men at the ticket-office, while she searched for her purse, and then for a nickel, finally found it and dropped it, and leaned to pick it up, dropped a parcel as she did so, while the gate slammed and the train relied away.

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officers, called Mr. O'Trien up, sentenced him to six months, and sentenced him to pay a fine of \$5.00, which we paid for him to Hoston, but he refused to pay it to the Brissa government and west down to Malloy and gave it the poor, \$500 he in milly succeeded in seeding the manufact constant in the first sentence of the sentence of constatutions, while the prison for two years because they were in this house, and old men with gray bears and baid heads—like mine-were culting themselves Miss Nany and Miss Lacy and committing trimes detected by God and usbooken by mon. Did the reporter commit a crime by uncerthing that! But Summer Johnson of the sentence of the legislature bandes together offensively and actonsively for the purpose of defracing the people of this city and state of their just rights, and preventing legislation beneficial to the people and appearing persistent beneficial to the people of Summer Johnson was eminently right, and his employer was eminenced to the proper of the city of the purpose of the city of the purpose of the city of the purpose of the

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He Described a Talking Machine Nearly fifty Years age to the Nearly fifty Years age to the Secretary of the Secretary of the Secretary in a jesting mood spoke of vecording human speech by speaking through a trumpet upon a sheet of paper, and in a general way described the phonograph or graphophone, says the Washington Star. This curious prophecy, made inn joke, was discovered the other day by Fr. G. Brown Goode, director of the Nacional Museum, in looking over the life of Commodore Maury recently published in Loudon. It is contained in a letter written by Commodore Maury to a relative in New York, dated May 12, 1844. At that time Commodore Maury was superintendent of the naval observatory in this city. If Commodore Maury was superintendent of the naval observatory in this city. If Commodore Maury was superintendent of the naval observatory in this city. If Commodore Maury had been alive and present when Prof. Goode road this letter he would have been a istonished to see what the professor did. Ho turned and took up a trumpet and falked into it. He was speaking not upon a piece of paper but unon a light wax cylinder. When he had finished speaking he inclosed this little cylinder in a little pasteboard case or box and mailed it to Mr. E. D. Easton, the president of the Columbia Phonograph company of this city. Mr. Easton put the cylinder on a graphophone, adjusted the ear plece to his ear, and then read what Prof. Goode's voice had written on the cylinder. It was a copy of Commodore Maury's letter in which he wrote:

"What a pity it is that M. DaGuerre, instead of photography, had not invented a process of writing by merely speaking through a trumpet upon a sheet of paper. What a glorious thing it would have been. I could then have mailed out letters in the boldest hand and at any time. Instead of saying 'I wrote you would whe been, I spoke you a ream last Tuesday. The world would become a more scribbling shop—a vast book machine. Whe

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have been made, and the city now has its work done for it and is pain \$80,000 n year for the privilege. The novelist was not an exaggerator when he created a fortime out of the dust-heaps which seemed a mere incumbrance on the face of the earth.

LITERARY NOTES.

The March number of Wide-Awwke, published by the Lothrop company of Boston, will contain "The Kaduskak Giant," a chapter of a remarkable series of stories from Acadian folk fore by Miss Grace Dean McLaod, a Cana-

by Miss Grace Dean McLeod, a Canadian authoress; as article on Kit Carson by Jessel Beaton Fremont, and "The
Beautiful Emity Marshail" by Frances
A. Humphrey.

The Century company, as features of
the February issue, gives "Jaseph
Jefferson's recollections of Edwin Forrest, with portraits; two articles on
"The Ream of Corpo," one by United
States Commissioner Tisdel and the
second by E. J. Glane, one of Stanley's
former officers. Among the contributing posts are Richard Henry Stoddard,
James Whitcomb Kiley, the Canadian
poet Roberts, Edith M. Thomas and
Walt Whitman.

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The National Magazine for February will contain an interesting article by Prof. Schele de Vere of the University of Virginia, entitled "How We Write," giving many curious historical facts. Rev. J. O. Quinn, L.L.D., will contribute "Bibuical Literature." F. W. Harkins, chanceller of the National university, will continue his essays on Shakespeare. Other articles are by Dr. Flavel S. Themas and eminent divines. Published at 147 Throop street, Chicago, Ill.

As an introduction to the more extended volumes of Parkham the "Stories of New France," prepared by Miss A. M. Machar and Thomas G. Marquis, will come as a really necessary volume. It gives the real romance of Canadian history, including the true story of that brave Frenchman whom Mrs. Catherwood has glorified in her "Romance of Dollard."

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D. Lothrop company have just issued new editions of "Aids to Endeavor"—the new book of selections prepared for Christian Endeavor secieties—Van Phou Lee's "When I was a boy in China." Sidney Lunka's "My Uncle Florimund," Mrs. Sherwood's "Royal Girls and Royal Courts," and Edward Everett Hale's "Boy's Heroes."

Mr. Henry Harland's (Sidney Lunka) only essay strictly in the field of juvenile literature, "My Uncle Florimund," has so far received the stamp of popular favor as to have gone into a second and third edition. It is, in fact, popular with both young and old. Mr. Harland and his charming wife are at present abrend, enjoying a loisurely two years in Europe.

Mrs. M. E. W. Sherwood, whose new story of young girls in society—"Sweetheire"—has achieved so instant a success, has an equally enterthining book on "Royal Girls and Royal Courts," which D. Lothrop company have been compelled to put to a second edition.

Mrs. Lawrence Turnbull, the author of the new novel just issued by D. Lothrop Company, "The Catholic Man," is a sister of that popular authoress, Miss Grace Denie Litchfield. Mrs. M. E. M. Davis, author of a charming sketch of child life and home life at the south during the civil war—"in War Times at La Rose Blanche"—is said to be a near relative of the late Jefferson Davis and a great favorite in New Orleans society.

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Van Phou Lee's reminiscent volume of his young life in the Orient, "When I Was a Boy in China," which D. Lothrop Company have just put to a new edition, has been placed upon the reading course of the Chautauqun Young Folks' Reading Circle. Grant Alleins "Common Sense Science" has also gone into a new edition and has been reduced in price from \$1.50 to \$1.25.

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The Listener has just heard the corollary of this stery in the shape of a reminiscence of the Crimenn war, related to him by an American gentleman who was present on the Peninsula during a part of that famous campaigo, as the representative of an American arms house, or something of that sort, says the Boston Transcript. The American was, moreover, a pushing fellow, and a genial one as well, and was welcomed by the English, French and italian officers who were there lighting the Turks' buttles for them. One day, at a period when the forces stationed at a certain point were on pretty short rations, the American was invited to take dinner at the officers' mess. There were Englishmen present, and a Venechman, and an Italian. The dinner consisted of the regular camp fare, with only such few delicacies, bought at a large price, as individuals among the officers were able to add. With the other things, a box of surdines was opened by an Eaglish officer, who courteously massed them to the American before he helped himself. The American, realizing the situation, took two small fishes, and passed

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